Mountain Weather Forecast

Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 20 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 21 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 20 Apr 2023 at 03:48

Confidence: High confidence for the settled theme on Thursday then turning unsettled into the weekend. Lower confidence on the arrival of cloud and rain on Thursday and details looking further ahead.

Headline for Thursday 20 Apr 2023: A dry and bright day with prolonged sunshine. Rather windy at height.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 20 Apr 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** High Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
<05%	00%	00%	00%	<05%	20%

Forecast for Thursday 20 Apr 2023

Weather: Any early low cloud across eastern up slopes soon clearing by early morning to leave a fine and dry day with plenty of strong sunshine albeit with continuing strong winds. Cloud thickening from the east by the late evening bringing the risk of an isolated shower.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 60% in the east first thing, otherwise 95% becoming 60% by evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Poor visibility for a short time in any low cloud or mist and fog patches during the early hours, bases around 500-600m though soon dispersing. Otherwise generally very good visibility.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	25/33 E	26/33 E	22/30 E	19/27 NE	19/27 NE	18/27 NE	19/27 NE
300	8/17 E	14/26 E	15/28 E	14/26 NE	12/25 NE	9/23 NE	12/24 NE
Valley	5/14 E	13/25 E	14/28 E	12/24 E	10/23 NE	8/23 NE	10/22 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	1/-6	4/-2	8/3	9/6	8/4	5/0	3/-2
300	3/-0	8/4	12/8	13/10	10/8	7/4	6/2
Valley	3/1	9/6	12/10	14/11	11/9	8/5	6/3
Freezing Level*	900m	800m	1100m	1200m	1000m	1200m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

A generally fine day for hiking with plenty of sunshine and dry conditions, albeit breezy with gusts up to 35-40 mph on the highest ridges. UV levels will be moderate in the prolonged sunshine, so some additional sun protection may be required.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
02:00 on Thu 20 Apr 2023	0mm	0mm	0mm

Forecast for Friday 21 Apr 2023

Weather: Turning unsettled with extensive cloud first thing on Friday and outbreaks of rain. Risk of showers developing more widely by mid-morning, turning heavy at times and carrying the risk of hail and thunder. Some sunny breaks possibly but detail still uncertain. Winds lighter than recent days.

Maximum wind: North-easterly 25 mph gusting 35 mph first thing, easing to 15 mph by the afternoon, gusting 25 mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 30% during the morning, rising to 60% by the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Widespread low cloud at 400-600m through the morning lifting to above summits by the afternoon, though cloud lowering again temporarily in any heavy showers. Visibility generally poor in low cloud, spells of rain and in any heavy showers, though good for general airmass visibility by the afternoon.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 10 Celsius
At 600m: Plus 5 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits.

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